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SUBJECT: ECLA PLENARY: MARCH 24 AFTERNOON SESSION

1. SUMMARY: DOUBT ABOUT LA' S ECONOMIC PROGRESS AND FUTURE WAS MAIN THEME IN SEVERAL ECLA SPEECHES AFTERNOON MARCH 24. MODERATE PRAISE OF ECLA AND SOME CRITICISM OF US AND EUROPEAN ECONOMIC POLICIES WERE SECONDARY THEMES. CLIMAX WAS LENGTHY LECTURE BY RAUL PREBISCH. END SUMMARY.

2. FOLLOWING SPEECHES MADE IN ECLA' S AFTERNOON SESSION JAMAICA ( DUDLEY THOMPSON, MINISTER OF STATE): COMPLAINED CARIBBEAN MEMBERS NOT GIVEN SUFFICIENT ECLA TIME. DESCRIBED JAMAICAN ECONOMIC PROBLEMS AND SUGGESTED ECLA COULD HELP EXAMINE POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS. CRITICIZED US AND EEC TRADE POLICIES.

3. USA ( AMBASSADOR BERNARD ZAGORIN): SEE QUITO' S 1462.

4. CANADA ( PAUL GERIN- LOJAIE, DIRECTOR, CANADIAN INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY): UNDER THEME " CAUSE OF LATIN AMERICA IS OURS" TRACED CANADA' S INCREASING INVOLVEMENT IN AREA DURING RECENT UNCLASSIFIED

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YEARS AND PROMISED CLOSER TIES IN FUTURE.

5. COLOMBIA ( AMB. ANTONIO ALVAREZ RESTREPO): EXAMINED AREA'S ECONOMIC EFFORTS IN 1950'S AND 1960'S, GIVING EMPHASIS TO PROBLEMS GROWING OUT OF TRADE WITH US AND EEC, AS WELL AS US MONETARY FLUCTUATIONS. SUGGESTED NEW POLICIES NEEDSITUATIONS.

" II. THAT THERE STILL EXISTS A STRUCTURAL SITUATION OF DOMINATION AND DEPENDENCE WHICH AFFECTS THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE LA PEROPLES.

" III. THAT THERE EXISTS A PROVEN UNITY OF LA WITH THE THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES IN SUPPORT OF THE JUST PANAMANIAN CAUSE ; IN CONDEMNATION OF COERCIVE MEASURES AND OF EVERY SITUATION OF DOMINATION AND DEPENDENCE.

" IV. THAT IT IS THE FIRST TIME THAT THE USA HAS VETOES A MATTER THAT FUNDAMENTALLY INTERESTS A LA COUNTRY WHICH IS FIRMLY COMMITTED TO EXERCISING ITS SOVEREIGNTY AND JURISDICTION OVER ITS NATURAL RESOURCES. THE ATTITUDE OF THE USA CONSTITUTES AT THE SAME TIME A VETO AGAINST LA CONSIDERING THE AMPLE AND SOLID SUPPORT THAT THE COUNTRIES OF THE REGION GAVE TO THE CAUSE OF PANAMA.

V. THAT THE SC HAS ESTABLISHED LAW CONCERNING THE USE OF FORCE IN APPROVING THE RESOLUTION PRESENTED BY PERU, SINCE IT RECOGNIZES THAT THIS USE IS NOT ONLY LIMITED TO CASES OF ARMED AGGRESSION, BUT ALSO COMPREHENDS THE APPLICATION OF COERCIVE MEASURES, POLITICAL AS WELL AS ECONOMIC OR OF ANY KIND, EXERTED BY STATES AS WELL AS BY ENTERPRISES. THESE COERCIVE MEASURES HAVE BEEN CONSIDERED BY THE SC ( TO BE) INTERNATIONALLY ILLEGAL ACTIONS AS CONSTITUTING THREATS TO PEACE AND SECURITY IN LA."

3. COMMENT: DEPT MAY WISH BE PREPARED DEAL WITH ( OR EXPLOIT) LAST OF ABOVE INTERPRETATIONS.  
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